

MAJOR INCIDENT REPORT A SPECIAL REPORT FROM LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE CHIEF DARYL L. OSBY

INCIDENT:
Pala Incident

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TYPE OF INCIDENT: Brush Fire Mutual Aid

DISTRICT/LOCATION:

Out of County (San Diego) Highway 76 and Interstate 15, CAL FIRE's Monte Vista Ranger Unit

DATE AND TIME OF OCCURRENCE:

Monday, August 29, 2011, 2:48 p.m.

INJURIES/FATALITIES:

None

INVESTIGATION STATUS:

The cause of this incident was reported as accidental; an automobile struck a light pole which sparked dry grass along the road.

INCIDENT SUMMARY:

At 2:48 p.m., CAL FIRE's Monte Vista Ranger Unit (MVU) requested LA County Fire mutual aid resources to assist with a brush fire that started earlier in the day and had burned 500 acres near Highway 76 and Interstate 15 in MVU's jurisdiction. County Fire deployed two crew strike teams (consisting of two crews and a superintendent), one dozer strike team (consisting of two dozers teams and a superintendent), and one CAL-EMA strike team staffed with LACoFD firefighters (consisting of four type III engines and a battalion chief).

Currently, the fire is reported to be 60 percent contained; County Fire resources remain on scene to assist with fire attack operations.

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